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FCC FORM 481 (July 2016), Lines 112 through 118
Progress Report on Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan
Per 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1) and Instructions for Completing FCC Form 481

Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Company ("Company") serves a rural area of approximately 314 square miles with a population density of approximately 6.2 people per square mile. This area is very rural and contains no incorporated towns or cities. The Company is in the midst of a fiber-to-the-premises project for its serving area.

The Company's plans are to continue fiber-to-the-premises construction as time and finances allow in an effort to provide all its subscribers with improved services. This work, which was included in the five-year service quality improvement plan filed in 2014, will further enhance the reliability, speed and capacity of the Company's broadband service, as well as its telephone service offerings.

Set forth below is a description of the Company's progress in its five-year service quality improvement plan as of December 31, 2015. The specific items there described are in addition to those that were described in the Company's progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan that was included in the Company's FCC Form 481 that was due July 1, 2015. Continued execution of the Company's five-year service quality improvement plan is dependent upon the availability of adequate funding and assumes the deployment of currently-existing technology. The evolution of technology, available applications, and customer service expectations during the five-year plan life may lead to modification of the plan from time to time during that five-year period.

Additional 2015 Construction:

1. Construction, including new, buried fiber optic routes within the Grays River Wire Center, along the far end of Lower Altoona Pillar Rock Road, for a total footage came of approximately 21,204 feet. This project has been successfully completed and serves an area of approximately 3 square miles in the vicinity of the above-referenced road, with an estimated population of 68 people. This project cost approximately \$169,000. This project has enhanced service reliability and capacity for approximately 68 people in the Grays River Wire Center.

Attached is Map A identifying the work done on this project.

2. Construction, including new, buried fiber optic routes within the Grays River Wire Center, along Hoikka Road (approximately 5,444 feet) and Fossil Creek Road (approximately 6,848) and Altoona Pillar Rock Road (approximately 14,706 feet), for a total footage of approximately 26,998 feet. This project has been successfully completed and serves an area of approximately 6 square miles in the vicinity of the above-referenced roads, with an estimated population of 75 people. This project cost approximately \$161,000. This project has enhanced service reliability and capacity for approximately 75 people in the Grays River Wire Center.

Attached is Map B identifying the work done on this project.

Table 1 below summarizes Federal universal service support as reported by USAC for the calendar year 2015:

Table 1

	<u>Amount</u>
High-Cost Loop (HCL) support	\$ 1,151,772
Interstate Common Line Support (ICLS)	763,536
Connect America Fund (CAF)	
Intercarrier Compensation (ICC) support	<u>- 43,308</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,872,000</u>

Table 2 below summarizes capital expenditures, operating expenses and other expenses incurred in the calendar year 2015 in the provision or support of regulated telecommunication services:

Table 2

	<u>Amount¹</u>
Capital expenditures other than debt repayment	\$ 829,800
Operating expenses other than depreciation	2,080,128
Depreciation	605,044
Interest expense	55,419
Debt repayment	<u>217,693</u>
	<u>\$ 3,788,084</u>

Table 3 below compares (i) capital expenditures made during the calendar year 2015 with respect to the Company's five-year service quality improvement plan with (ii) the originally projected capital expenditures for the calendar year 2015 portion of the said plan:

Table 3

	<u>Projected</u>	<u>Expended</u>
Five-year service quality improvement plan:		
calendar year 2015		
capital expenditures	\$ 500,000	\$ 807,680

¹ Unaudited, prior to Part 64 adjustments, if any.

Table 4 below shows the distribution to the Company's wire center(s), as applicable, of the capital expenditures amount shown in Table 3 above as having been expended:

Table 4

	<u>Amount</u>
Five-year service quality Improvement plan: calendar year 2015 capital expenditures:	
Grays River Wire Center	\$ 187,232.95
Naselle Wire Center	586,907.53
Joint / Shared	<u>33,539.52</u>
	<u>\$ 807,680.00</u>

Table 5 below shows the distribution to voice service, broadband service, and joint voice and broadband services, as applicable, of the capital expenditures amount shown in Table 3 above as having been expended:

Table 5

	<u>Joint Voice and Broadband Services</u>
Five-year service quality Improvement plan: calendar year 2015 capital expenditures	
	\$ 807,680